Ten Days Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars in Social Sciences

(13 to 22 July, 2024)

Organised by

Madhya Pradesh Institute of Social Science Research (MPISSR), Ujjain
In collaboration with
Institute for Educational and Developmental Studies (IEDS), Noida

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Introduction

The advancement of high-quality research in the field of Social Sciences is pivotal for the generation of robust knowledge and the formulation of effective policies aimed at addressing complex social issues. High-quality research serves as the backbone for informed decision-making and policy formulation, influencing various aspects of societal development, including economic growth, social justice, and cultural enrichment. To achieve such research excellence, it is essential to build a solid foundation in the science and art of conducting research. This involves not only a deep understanding of the philosophical and theoretical underpinnings of various social science disciplines but also the practical application of diverse research methodologies and techniques.

Furthermore, practical skills in research methodologies are crucial. Researchers must be adept at designing studies, collecting data using various techniques (such as surveys, interviews, and ethnography), and analyzing this data through qualitative and quantitative methods. This comprehensive skill set allows researchers to produce valid and reliable results, which are essential for advancing knowledge and informing policy. Its goal is to develop their potential as future academicians and social science researchers by enhancing their methodological and analytical skills. Recognising this need, M.P. Institute of Social Science Research, Ujjain (MPISSR) in collaboration with Institute for Educational and Developmental Studies (IEDS), Noida is organising a *Ten Days Research Methodology Course for Research Scholars in Social Sciences* from **13 to 22 July, 2024** sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi.

The objectives of this course is to enhance methodological and writing skills, promote interdisciplinary research, refine research skills, integrate technology in research, fostering interdisciplinary research and, skill refinement from problem identification to reporting among Ph.D. Scholars. The programme of the course will inculcate discussions on the formation and selection of a research problem; designing of research; sampling techniques; tools for data collection; analysis of data; interpretation and discussion of results and report writing. The training

course aims to enable the participants to formulate relevant research objectives, select and make use of suitable research methods; use appropriate research tools and analyse their data properly to conduct their research.

Course Content

- Philosophical Underpinnings of Social Research (Ontology-Epistemology-Methodology-Methods)
- Fundamentals of Social Research (Theory-Theoretical Frame Work-Conceptual Frame Work-Concept and Measurable Variable)
- Quantitative Research Methods (Methods and their Nuances-Social Survey)
- Qualitative Research Methods (Methods and their Nuances- Ethnography, Case Study, Content Analysis, Focused Group Discussion)
- Triangulation and Hybrid Methods
- Methodological and Measurement Issues in Social Science Research
- Formulation of Problem in Social Research
- Developing Research Proposals
- Literature Review
- Research Design
- Sampling
- Use of Statistical Tests in Social Science Research
- Hypothesis Formulation and Testing
- Defining Variables and Their Measurement
- Designing and Formulation of Questionnaire and Interview Schedules
- Use of Econometrics
- Introducing SPSS for Data Analysis
- Data Analysis and Interpretation
- Interpretation of Results and Presentation of Data
- Application of Research Findings
- Language of Research
- Report Writing and Presentation of Research Findings

Participants

Ph.D./PDF Scholars in Social Science disciplines may apply for the course. Applicants for the course can apply through post or e-mail by duly forwarded a hard copy/ scanned application form.

Applications are invited on or before **July 4, 2024 (Thursday, 5 PM)**. Only short-listed candidates will be informed through e-mail about participation in the course. Lodging and Boarding will be arranged by the Institute only for the participants for the course period. Travel (Sleeper Class Railway Fare) will be reimbursed to outstation participants for attending this course.

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<u>Application Form</u>

Name: _____

Gender (M/F): _____ Social Category (SC/ST/OBC/EWS/ GEN) _____

Marital Status: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Institute/University/College: _____

Educational Qualification: _____

Discipline: _____

Topic of Research: _____

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Status of Research Work: (i) Course Work (ii) Preparing Synopsis (iii) Reviewing Literature (iv) Preparing Tool (v) Collecting Data (vi) Analysing Data (vii) Writing Report (viii) Thesis Submitted

Have you attended a similar course earlier: Yes ( )   No ( )

If yes, provide details: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone No. /Mobile No.: _____

E-mail: _____

Accommodation Required: Yes ( )   No ( )

Signature
Name:
(Head of the Institution/Supervisor)
(With Official Seal)

Signature of the Applicant